

PPA Board Meeting Minutes - April 13, 2024

Call to Order- Alysia- 8:18 AM

Roll- President- Alysia Hammel  
Treasurer- Pat Ebetino  
District 1- Lynn Ballentine  
District 2- Bernie Ebetino  
District 3- Anthony Serianni  
District 4- Mark Laurent  
District 5- NP

Vice President- Dave Hewitt  
Secretary- Linda Minnick  
District 5A- Marshall Minnick  
District 6- NP  
District 7- Sherry Doherty  
District 8&9- Terry Radtke

Guests-

1. Ronald Ollis/Emma Hamilton- D6
2. Theresa Kalisik (Kirk Macnider)- D1
3. Danny/Kathy Roman- D1
4. Shane Wallace- D2
5. Darby/Joanna Miller- D9
6. Drew/Lesli Foster- D4
7. Daniel Burkhart- D4
8. Lou/Kathy Siri- D5A
9. Dan Clay- D1
10. Connie Heimann- D2
11. Jim Donahoe AWC
12. Staci Hammel- D1
13. Dan Connell/Amy Story- D1
14. Paul Erst- D6
15. Kendall Floyd- D7
16. Jeff Glon- D3

Review of March 9, 2024 Minutes- Linda

\*\*Motion to Accept the March 9, 2024 Minutes- Pat

Second- Anthony

Carried

Treasurer's Report- Pat

A. March 2024

Checking Balance-	\$ 54,475.87
Accounts Receivable-	15,301.60
Total Current Assets-	\$ 145,037.37

- a. Mark- Are the dues usually shown on the P&L? Pat- not in the past on our software but will look into that. Mark- Does the memo column usually have more info? Pat- Yes

\*\*Motion to accept the March 2024 Treasurer's report- Sherry

Second- Marshall

Carried

B. Delinquent Dues- 19 still out

- a. List handed out with overdue dues, each will be contacted for a reminder, in May accessed \$50 late fee + 2% interest, for each month thereafter
- b. 2025 Budget- recommendations:
  - 2.) Admin/postage/printing- room rental fee goes here and increased mailings, advise to raise
  - 9.) Wetland- not being used, advise remove
  - 10.) Legal- advise to increase to \$5,000
  - 13.) Misc. expense- advise remove
  - 18.) Taxes- advise raise (up 9% this year) to \$8,000
  - 23.) File Storage, remove?

\*\*Motion to take Budget recommendations into consideration, come back to it at the May meeting- Bernie

Second- Linda

Carried

C. Consider raising \$50 late fee on Delinquent dues? Bernie- add \$50 when late on April 1 and again May 1

D. Mark- Can we have the actual expenses in 2023 to compare to these projections? Pat- Yes

5. Maintenance Report- Terry

A. Has Keys for the new door lock

B. Will install the gate

C. Ordered Signs

D. Mark- What is the procedure for the gate? Open it when you need to access the Lake. Is it the 2020 Lake Maintenance plan? Terry- The plan put into place by Larry, myself, Ron Corson, probably 2014. This is another pain in my butt. We are elected to be here to represent our Districts. We have talked about this at previous meetings. You need to be here for the Board to function.

E. Has had phone calls about management of the Lake, Jim Donahoe is here, I want this on the table. Some people on the Board aren't on board. I told Jim to be blunt with the Board. Early 2000 IDNR mandated the Lake level be lowered. 25 years I've been here we have not had issues with water levels being too low. I don't need this. If someone else wants to take up camp on the dropbox and raise and lower the stop logs go ahead. I'm thankful to Paul for helping. It takes 3 to 4 hours to do that. Dave- When we treat the Lake for every inch we lower that's 5 million gallons less water to treat. Back in the '90's Ron Kerlin was our President. He was a chemist. He had his own company and treated the Lake. He sold his company to Jim. Terry introduces Jim Donahoe.

F. Jim Donahoe-

- a. Ron Kerlin started the business in 1983. I bought it in 1988. Part of the agreement was to take care of Papakeechee, that expired in 1998.
- b. Yes, you want the lake down a little when you put the Fluridone in so if it rains you don't lose the chemical. You treat the outside edge of the Lake.
- c. Fluridone is a root control herbicide. Timing is critical. Curly Leaf mid-April, Milfoil mid-May, SSW mid-June.
- d. Elodea has been in the Lake since '98 it is not a hard plant to kill.
- e. If you want general weed control you apply the first part of May. This plan has been run by the manufacturer. We do it that way so you can never come back and say, Why did you do it this way?
- f. I believe the reason the Elodea wasn't killed last year is because the application was too early. This year, 6 gallons initial application, 2 weeks later apply a 3 gallon bump. No testing to find the level of chemical in there. We don't need to do that. We test to find the concentration of the herbicide that's in there. Then you can backtrack that to find out your acreage and what your average depth is. We already know that information. We already know what the concentration will be.
- g. The half life of Fluridone is 20 days. What that means is, if I put in 6 gallons, in 20 days I have 3 gallons left. Then they are going to bump it back up (add 3 more gallons). It will take 30-45 days to work.
- h. Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP) will hit the surface this year. We've had a beautiful winter to grow CLP. CLP starts to grow in October. It over winters, as soon as you get to mid-April and get a little bit of sun it will start to grow 2" per day and come to the surface. You're going to see some weeds on there. In a perfect world we would treat 3 times but you just don't have that type of capital (\$\$).
- i. Now, let's address the Starry Stonewort (SSW). If we don't treat the lake this year expect 3X the amount you had last year. SSW will and has changed the way a lot of lakes are managed. Sonar does not work on SSW. SSW is an algae. It is not a weed. It has no roots. Last year we treated 40 lakes for the IDNR. We treated in June and again in late July or early August. All we're doing is giving it a haircut because there is nothing on the market that will control SSW long term. Last year you had about 12 acres. We don't know where that is going to go as far as number of acres. Wawasee in 2008 had 3 acres now they have 500. Tippy had 4 acres in 2005 now it's up to 90. It all depends on how much Phosphorus is in the water because SSW is an algae it takes its nutrients from the water not from the soil. If we are spending \$20,000.00 a year on Fluridone and it's not going to control SSW then all of a sudden we have 50 acres of SSW, sooner or later you're going to have to make some hard decisions about how that lake is

managed. If the SSW is growing in 10' of water and not reaching the surface I'm not going to treat it because it's \$400-\$500 per acre and I'm doing it 2X. So \$1,000 an acre to do that. If I'm treating 20 acres I'm spending \$20,000 if I treat 2X I'm spending \$40,000. The herbicides that control the SSW which are Tribute and Clipper for conversation's sake those herbicides will also control the weeds we are going after so at that point you need to switch how you do it. SSW is called SSW because it produces a star that lays in the soil and that's what makes next year's crop. That's why it continues to out compete everything that's out there.

- j. There's been some talk about using DASH here. Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting is a boat with a pump on it. A diver goes down with a hose in his hand and starts sucking up the SSW. The worst thing you can do for SSW. SSW grows by fragmentation. When you find SSW in your lake you can tell by putting it in your hand and when you squeeze it, it sounds like Rice Krispies. When a boat goes through it, it looks like a big mass of cotton candy. It breaks into pieces about 3" long. You can't expect to go down there with a suction and not have any drift. DASH I don't know what their costs are but 12 acres puts you over the cost limit. They might be able to do a half acre a day and 4 weeks later they will have to do it again because it grows from the soil. The State won't pay for it because they have determined that DASH is not a cost effective way to control SSW. If we had just found it and it was around one pier, maybe. When you find it, it's generally 4 or 5 acres to start with because it grows so fast.
- k. AWC will come in mid-June. Our biologist will create a GPS map of where it is. Then we'll come back to the Association. We'll determine the depth of the water in those areas and decide if it's worthwhile to treat those areas. You can treat 12 acres reasonably but if it starts getting into 25/30 acres you really have to look at the cost to do that. Then we'll come back late July and survey again to see if we're still at 12 acres or if we're at 20 that we might have found in the spring. We will also do a Tier II survey. Tier II is a rake sample of 60 points that are GPS recorded so over time you have a comparison of the different plants at the same points.
- l. Back to Terry's thing. The point I'd like to make this year is, just let us do our job this year. We'll do it right and the weeds will be gone. This is my 36th year. What we don't need, I personally don't need is everybody sending me an email saying we need to do it this way, we need to do it that way or Terry. I've been around long enough to know what's going on because what happens is the people you contact contact me directly. So if you go to another applicator it's a small world in application. We all know each other. When I started there were 4 people in the state that did it. So they'll call me and say, Hey Jim, What's going on up there? It just brings more work for Terry and I. We would appreciate if you would ... it doesn't mean that I won't answer questions but if you're trying to undermine what we're doing I just don't have time for that. Let us do it this year and we'll see what happens. I'll get your questions in 1 second.
- m. Alysia asks, Is it worthwhile if we deem areas not treatable to throw a marker down to warn people to stay out? Donahoe- It depends on the depth but yes they do in the Barbie chain when they first started getting SSW so people don't take their boats through.
- n. Donahoe- I don't want you to think that SSW is the end of the lake. Typically SSW grows in the same areas other weeds grow. It outcompetes the other weeds so it just becomes a monoculture. On Wawasee in the channels where we usually treated we still do it's just that now we have more SSW there than other weeds. It's not going to be all doom and gloom. It's just Mother Nature and we have to find another way to manage it.
- o. Terry asks, What depth would you say that is? Donahoe- We usually use 6 foot because most lakes don't have the water clarity to grow weeds below 6'. Some will go 7' or 8' it just depends. Again paddle boats or whatever you're using to get around is not going to go below that depth. Alysia- The harvester can though. Donahoe- I'm glad you brought that up. We have a harvester. We use it where there is flowing water. So if you think of Avast or Fluridone on a scale of 1-10 most of the plants go out at a 3 concentration. These are numbers to give you an example. Large Leaf Pondweed would take an 8 concentration, so it would triple the amount of money you would have in treating that and it's good for fishing. People can fish around it and you harvester it off. Now SSW you have to realize that most aquatic plants grow by fragmentation so if you're harvesting a SSW area you will be spreading it. Same

with Milfoil. Those are the two main plants that spread by fragmentation. Well, Curly Leaf does too. So we have to look at that. Hopefully you won't have as much weeds this year so you won't have to do as much harvesting.

- p. Bernie- Question about timing concerning the bump application. We usually like to have the lake ready for fishing and swimming by Memorial Day. Would that be safe for the people to get in the water?  
Donahoe- Believe it or not Fluridone is used in a water supply source. We treat a marina on Lake Michigan and Lake Michigan is considered a water supply source. You can swim right away after our application. You can fish right away after that. You just can't use that water to irrigate grass with it for, in this case, 45 days. If somebody were to call me freaked out because their irrigation sprinkler ticked off I would tell them don't worry about it, because Fluridone works by build up. I mean I wouldn't worry about 1 application. It's not going to do anything. If they continue to pump through that 45 days what's going to happen is you're going to have a white ring around that sprinkler. Fluridone works by taking the chlorophyll out of the plant. I've never seen anybody kill off their entire lawn because of Fluridone or any aquatic herbicide. Think about it. You've got a 2" intake from the lake and you're not going to pump the lake dry so you're not going to get enough concentration high enough to kill anything that's in the grass although it does like tomatoes.
- q. Bernie- Another point I'd like to make is Chemicals are a lot safer now then they were in the past.  
Donahoe- When a chemical is first labeled and some of the herbicides were first labeled in the '70's, the EPA has what they call a red process, every 15 years these herbicides have to be brought up to today's safety standards. We are not operating off of a 1960 label but one that is 15 years old.- Back then they were testing to parts per million and now it's parts per billion which is 10X greater. If there was any indication that there were any problems with any of those herbicides they'd have been off the market a long time ago. Fluridone is allowed to be used in water sources. I'm not concerned about the toxicity of this herbicide. You have to put toxicity into comparrison, they call that the LD 50. It means the lethal dose to kill 50% of the population. How much would it take to kill 50%. If you took a whole tablespoon of salt off of your table and ate the whole tablespoon 50% of the people in this room would die. That's why the LD 50 is so high for table salt. Keep in mind that some of the things you use in your everyday life can have a toxic small dose.
- r. Anthony- How do you know that the half life of Fluridone in our Lake is 20 days? What data support that? Donahoe- That's a general figure Anthony- Isn't it also true that Fluridone half life is very situation dependant? It could be 2 days or it could be 60 days. Donahoe- I don't think it's going to be 2 days. The manufacturer tells us to use 20. And again we ran these recommendations by the manufacturer.  
Anthony- I can tell you from the data we've collected that the number is more like 46, in our Lake. I'm just throwing that number out. We can share the data. I don't agree with that 20 days. Donahoe- Well that's certainly your prerogative but keep in mind the company that makes it has been making it since 1990 and their biologists are pretty damn good. Anthony- It doesn't matter. We collected the data. I actually measured it. I measured it for 5 years so I know the number. Donahoe- Ok, so what is your point there? Anthony- I just want to know where the 20 came from. I know that's what's reported in the letter but it's also the situation that unless you measure it for yourself at the site where it's being applied you don't know the number. Donahoe interjects 2X, It's a general number. Anthony- Is it true or not true that Elodea is spread by fragmentation? Donahoe- Any aquatic plant can grow by fragmentation. Anthony- Is it more serious than say SSW? Donahoe- SSW is worse. Anthony- But it still can be spread by fragmentation. Donahoe- Any aquatic plant can be spread by fragmentation. That's why when you take your boat from one lake to the next and you don't clean off your trailer you've just put that plant in that lake. That's how SSW gets spread. When we treated the lakes for the DNR 90% of them were at the public access. Anthony- What's the susceptibility of Elodea to Fluridone relative to Curly Leaf Pondweed or Milfoil? Donahoe- It's just a little higher. Anthony- What does that mean, 'a little higher'? Donahoe- Higher in my example of a 1-10 scale. Curly Leaf would probably go at about a 2, Milfoil would go at about a 2 and then ... Anthony- A 2 what? Donahoe- I don't want to get into parts per million or parts per billion. You would need a little higher dose but it's not significant. And again, the manufacturer knows we're going after Elodea. They gave us the recommendation. It's not just I, the chemical company

said that this is going to work. Keep in mind, Elodea has been in the lake since 1988. We've never had a problem until we treated early. Terry- Anthony, you also had a concern about the copper? Anthony- Well, it's a heavy metal. It's always a concern when you add a heavy metal to a lake. You know the Lanthanum bentonite that Wawasee is considering as a means of phosphorus sequestration, we always have those concerns, right? We know those heavy metals are going to sit on the bottom of the lake more or less indefinitely. It could have definitely negative effects on microorganisms and organisms that live on the bottom of the lake over the long term but that's a different issue, a discussion for another day.

Bernie- Another point I wanted you to confirm is, there are a lot of people on the Lake that are totally opposed to putting any chemical in the lake. They hear the word chemical they are opposed to it.

Donahoe- There are always strong opinions either way on that. The chemical manufacturer is well aware of the affect of those decisions. I think I need to answer your question in reference to the heavy metals. Lanthanum Chloride, is a terrible name because it sounds bad, but it is naturally occurring. It's on the table and they are using that to take phosphorus out of the water. It doesn't need a label to be applied because it's naturally occurring. It ties up phosphorus and phosphorus comes from farm fields, anything that decomposes in the water. Phosphorus builds up in the water. As you get more and more phosphorus in the lake you start getting more algae and more weeds because you've got more food. Copper is a naturally occurring element and most of the algaecides have copper in them. They are naturally occurring. Every 15 years the copper sulfate gets re-registered. It's passed the registration process 3 times. This thing about it being tied up in the soil. I'm not aware of copper or anything getting tied up in the soil. I just wanted to address that. Anthony- I'm a biochemist. I know that Lanthanum is not a biologically relevant metal. You and I don't have it in us. It's not. Copper is but there is also a lethal exposure to that. Donahoe- It's extremely high. Anthony- Lanthanum is not a biologically important metal. In other words, in us. We don't have lanthanum in our bodies and it's probably toxic to most organisms. I'm not claiming that is in the context that we are discussing.

- s. Linda- You were talking about it being systemic or contact sensitive. I have the label here from Sonar. It says for best results it should be applied prior to the initiation of weed growth or when the weed begins active growth. You're talking about waiting until the plant is way bigger. The Sonar is a systemic treatment so why would we care if the plant is big enough to drop it on the leaves if it is going to be absorbed by the root? This is saying to put it down when the roots are just starting to grow the plant. Donahoe- A couple of points. You are correct but Sonar goes through the leaf of the plant not through the root. It goes through the leaf and goes down to kill the root. The reason we delay treatment is because we want to get the Elodea. Elodea doesn't start to actively grow until mid-May. So if I apply it in Mid-April the concentration will be substantially lower than if we apply in Mid-May. Linda- When we were out on the lake on April 12 last year the whole bottom of the lake was completely covered in Elodea. Donahoe- Again, I didn't make the recommendation, the manufacturer made the recommendation and if it doesn't work... Linda- This is the label of the chemical. Donahoe- I spoke to the Rep directly. If it doesn't work I assure you he will be at the side of the lake visiting because we buy enough herbicide that if it doesn't work he is going to come address my concern.
- t. Mark- Last year we treated in April primarily because we were concerned with Curly Leaf, right? Donahoe- That's the right time for Curly Leaf. Mark- Based on our survey we don't have a lot of Curly Leaf. So do you agree that it's probably not something that we want to focus on? Donahoe- I don't know what the data is that says how much Curly Leaf you have but I'm trying to choose a time that we can get all of the weeds. Mark- So that's the primary reason you're waiting from early April to early May is to have a broader reach on other plants and it probably won't have as much effect on Curly Leaf because it's already grown some so we don't have that big of a problem with it this year? Donahoe- Keep in mind, the Curly Leaf will die on it's own by the Fourth of July. So if you have less Curly Leaf and your main problem is Elodea you go after Elodea. Mark- There was some discussion of do we really need to treat this year because we don't have a lot of Curly Leaf but what I hear you saying is if we don't treat this year Elodea or some of these other things are going to grow faster because we haven't done this Bernie- What you have to understand is the weeds have to be growing to have leaves on them to get to the roots. Even if we treat later it's still going to effect any Curly Leaf that is growing.

- u. Dave- Jim, you said earlier that chemical treatment was easy. Since Terry and I do it, thanks for not saying even a caveman can do it. Anthony- I want you to receive my thinking on this. That's all I'm after here. My understanding of the susceptibility of Curly Leaf to Fluridone is if you set the concentration at say 9 ppb and it stays above 5 ppb for 40 days that's an accepted protocol for the elimination of that plant. That's my understanding from the literature. If you were to apply the same protocol to Elodea it would not work. My understanding from people I've talked with from Notre Dame biologists and elsewhere is they tell me the only way to control Elodea chemically with Fluridone is to maintain 5 ppb concentration over a course of months not weeks because that plant's susceptibility, the claim is, I don't know that's why I am asking you, the claim is, that Fluridone is ineffective unless that low level of 5 ppb, is held constant for at least 2-3 months. That's what they found in Alaska. That's what they found in other places. I have the literature. So why are we any different than that? Donahoe- I don't know why you're any different. Anthony- I don't think we are. Donahoe- If we needed to do that for Elodea, then why did it work for the first 25 years when we were just doing 1 application? Anthony- It wasn't predominant. My theory is, you can refute it if you want, because we have eliminated a lot of the things that are more susceptible to it. Donahoe- I think you are getting more technical than we need to get in this room at the moment and your points are well taken. And again, I have run this all by the manufacturer. He gave me the recommendation.
- v. Dave- I think we have our chemical plan for the year and I think we need to move on. Alysia- I think as a Board and I think the residents would agree that we had an overgrowth of an old problem last year because we ... it's a learning period where we may not get it right. What I get from all the other lakes is it's kind of a trial and error and they are doing the best they can right now. So we are learning and we have to trust someone at some time to come up with a program and then we learn from there. Like you said if it doesn't work then the manufacturer or you have people that will come down and try to figure out what ... Donahoe- SSW is not a new problem. It's new to you. They have been looking for ways to control SSW for the last 25 years. Terry- If we displace 1 weed something else is going to take its place. Do you feel that's what's happened with the Elodea? Since we got rid of the Curly Leaf that's what allowed the Elodea to take over? Donahoe- Yes
- w. ???- I'm new to the game. I didn't know we have SSW. How long and where is it? Donahoe- We have a map. It's 12 acres. You can look at the map. First discovered summer 2023.
- x. Linda- Back to your statement, There's no need to determine the ppb because that is only used to back track to figure our depth and acreage? Donahoe- Right Linda- Then how do you know what the half life is if you don't do the chemical tests? Donahoe- Use a general number Linda- but we have exact numbers. We've been doing the tests. Anthony- The number that you're using is a common one that is usual. I would agree to that. Donahoe- Yes Anthony- However, as I said earlier it doesn't matter because what matters is the local number. That's what matters. That's why we measured it. We measured it. Donahoe- How did you measure that? Anthony- We have several sites on the lake. We took a sample of water from 3' down. From a few days after application of the chemical and we had that concentration halving over the course of 40 or so days at a single exponential for 5 years in a row. Only 1 year it varied. I think due to conditions of the lake water being lower. The number is somewhere around 40-46 days of half life. Judged from that continuous decay I fit the data Donahoe- Right Alysia- Do we want to work with him? Is that something as a Board we want to do? Linda- No. He doesn't want to pay attention to the test results. Donahoe- You say the half life is 46 days? Anthony- Yes Donahoe- and I'm saying the half life is 20. I'm going to get a higher concentration at 20 days versus 46 so why does this 20 versus 46 days matter? Anthony- It does matter. If you have to have a certain concentration over a certain period of time you have to get to a certain number over I think 46 days is what it was for Curly Leaf Donahoe- My point is 46 days half life is, if I know the concentration I'm going to get at 20 days I'm going to have more of that at 46. All I know is I think it's going to work and the manufacturer gave me the recommendation. Mark- His number is more conservative than ours. It's going to result in a higher concentration. Alysia- Which we want. Mark- Because you're saying it lasts longer Anthony- Right Mark- So it's not like it's going to go away faster. Alysia- We've said that you need higher concentration to get rid of the Elodea. Anthony- If it decays very quickly like you claim then the concentration won't be

where it should be over the course of 40 days in order to be effective. Donahoe- Let's do this. We will agree to disagree. Linda- Let's disagree with the biochemist Mark- What about that survey could affect your recommendation? Donahoe- Which survey? Mark- The one you're going to do this month. Donahoe- We're not going to do it this month. We're going to do ours in June to look for the Starry Stonewort. Mark- I thought the plan said in April? Donahoe- No Sherry- After the treatment with Sonar? Donahoe- Yes Sherry- We'll do our 2 sonars then we'll survey. Donahoe- Then we'll do our survey to find the SSW. Mark- So you brought up DASH. Do you want to talk about it now? Sherry- Why don't you let him finish? Alysia- He's finished. Mark- When we talk about DASH your opinion might feed into our discussion. Alysia- We heard his opinion.

## 6. Old Business

### A. Swans- Alysia

- a. Received the permit, Carl (swan guy) is asking about nest location to facilitate egg oiling, any nest observations? Pat- on Julie's island Sherry- across from her on Hiawatha south of Whitehead's
- b. Dave- Any count on swans? Bernie- 16 at Julie's island Sherry- counted 21 east side of Hiawatha
- c. Alysia will pass info on to Carl for oiling the eggs

### B. Pow Wow- Bernie

- a. Slightly later than usual, information was slow to come in this year. Try to send before the 1st of April next year
- b. Most were sent via email. 39 sent USPS. 50 printed at apx. \$80. Also posted on website

### C. Website Domains- Kendall Floyd

- a. I built the website as a Watershed Leadership Academy project. Registered Papakeecie.com, .net & .org also lakepapakeecie.org & hosting through Host Gator. Has been paying for them. Recently papakeecie@gmail.com password has been changed needs updated for payment.
- b. Alysia- We would like to have control, how? Kendall- Will have time to do it but shouldn't be paying for it. Host Gator is now \$120.00/6 months. lakepapakeecie.org \$15.00/year. Do you want to also keep papakeecie.com & .org \$47.00/year for all 3? Bernie- need to keep .org & papakeecie.com because that is where we are making changes
- c. Pat- Recommends that Bernie & Kendall work this out together, we can use the PPA charge for payment
- d. Mark- Would Kendall be willing to assist on content changes? Yes, Bernie- We don't want interactive or payment possibilities. Mark- Do we want a members only area? Bernie- No Mark- Would like to be involved

\*\*Motion to pay for the website- Sherry

Second- Terry

Carried

## 7. New Business

### A. DASH, Starry Stonewort (SSW)- Mark

- a. Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting- not for large areas, a pontoon type boat, a pump, divers directing a suction hose precisely targeting SSW, collected into a bag, water drains out, bag with SSW removed from the lake. Donahoe's statement that it is totally useless for SSW, I haven't heard that. Bernie- Diane's information on DASH is unreferenced. I have information about the NY lake that Diane mentions. They are using 3 methods for SSW. DASH is the least effective. Minnesota DNR info says, SSW frequency of occurrence not significantly changed using DASH, and that it causes spreading through turbulence. 168 locations treated with copper based herbicide no SSW. Mark- Copper only knocks down the vegetation but doesn't kill it. The DASH advantage is it removes the bulbils from the sediment and is not a chemical. Copper only knocks down the algae. DASH is new, it's more expensive. I don't propose 12 acres of DASH removal. Two years of DASH on a small area to see what works best in comparison to the copper treated areas. Alysia- 2 days of DASH for \$13,000? Mark- \$13,000.00 is 2 boats for 10 days, 1-4 acres, Pat- 1/2 to 3/4 acres per day. Anthony- Will they haul away? Mark- I think they would or suggestions for a place to haul it to. Anthony- The formulation of the copper algaecide matters a lot. The pelleted copper algaecide that sits on the bottom of the lake when applied appears to be more effective at killing off the plant because the bulbils are more prone to be exposed. I don't think any of these

treatments will eradicate the plant. Mark- Application method is more a question for Donahoe. Bernie- from what I've read, DASH will not 100% eliminate all bulbils. Could make it worse.

- b. Mark- If we are going to DASH we need to approve the expenditure, at the least by May for mid-June treatment. Bernie- There could be overlap with the copper treatment Sherry- We already have a plan, could the DASH send the bulbils into the copper treated areas?

B. Floating objects appearing at the neighbor's beach- Bernie

- a. One of my neighbors feels the PPA should remove, would like a letter from PPA stating what action they will take. I told him it was his responsibility. Alysia- Will send a letter with ideas.

8. Guest Comments:

- 1. Amy Story D1- We received the STR letter. STR affects us a lot because we live on Promontory Pt. We are grateful that something is being done. From research and what we are seeing STR can destroy communities in the long run. Not good for retail value of homes. We are seeing the start of STR oversaturation on Promontory. The community we moved into has already changed a lot. Just this morning I saw someone on our neighbor's private property with a dog. It was a stranger. This is very common in our neighborhood. They are messing up the road. We have seen them spin out in the gravel that we just paid to have put down with our money. We have loud music, we have people coming up to our house looking in windows. It is definitely affecting the vibe of the place since we moved in. Also it would make it so convenient to have an online dues payment option. Thanks again for the letter. We appreciate it.

Alysia- To clarify, on Promontory, the lot owners own to the center of the road. It is up to each owner to maintain their section. PPA in the past has been some help and PPA pays for snow plowing in the winter.

- 2. Stacy Hammel D1- Glad everyone showed up.
- 3. Connie Heimann D2, D7- I hope you aren't going to waste money on DASH since the expert says it creates more of a problem. I have an STR. I haven't had a single guest this year use the lake. They go to work and come home, no problems.
- 4. Ron Ollis D6- Owns STR on Hiawatha, I use it, my daughter cleans it for me. I've talked to 3 of my neighbors. I've had no problems, no concerns from them, they have my phone number, I will bounce STR people in a heartbeat. These problems need to be dealt with on an individual basis. I don't agree that getting rid of all the STR is the way to deal with it. I agree with these other STR owners that if you continue to call the STR companies I will personally file a lawsuit.

Joanna/Darby Miller D9- I'm disappointed that the Board chose to ignore the owners of the STR who were here in October. You collected our information. You allowed us to leave thinking that we were going to receive communication and thinking we were going to be able to work together for an amicable solution but that did not happen. I will point out that you have received 2 letters. I will wait for Shane to read them if you have not received them. The Covenants do not indicate that you have the legal recourse to prevent us from owning an Air BnB. We have been here for 10 years with the Air BnB, never had issues. I do believe that there are issues with maybe a few where there have been some problem tenants here and there. I have talked to some of the other renter owners and they have never been contacted to say we have an issue, please resolve this issue, not once. Let's not ignore the fact that you have in your possession 2 letters that need to be shared with everybody. Legal fees, the \$5,000.00 in legal fees, those are our dues. Just so you know, if we do have to take legal recourse we will expect that to be reimbursed.

- 5. Kathy Roman D1- To recap Joanna, it is disappointing. I thought we had a good relationship and I still feel we do with our direct neighbors. They know how to reach me and I can't help it if they don't. That being said, I don't know if there is a problem. If there are as Ron said it needs to be addressed with that person. I can't fix something I don't know about. It's unfortunate that we had to go to this step but as a group collectively we felt that's what needed to be done in order to protect our rights as property owners, which we are and we are members of the community. There is nothing in the Covenants/Bylaws that says we can't use our homes for STR. Property values have not and will not decrease. We've shown that they have actually improved. All of us that have properties have drastically improved them, as



we've mentioned in other meetings there are properties that are being ignored. We care about what we own.

6. Shane Wallace D2- It's unfortunate that it's come to this heading. I think it will be resolved. We don't know who's going to win but it's unfortunate that we are spending our dues money to fight ourselves and then we are spending our money as well. Obviously we come out looking bad in this because we are spending people's money who don't want any part of this, that's what I feel is the biggest loss. We are going to ride this thing out because it's my property and I want to stay here. We're going to see where it goes. I'm not going anywhere. We'll work through it the best we can, respectfully. I'm not here to, I personally know everybody on this Board. I don't have any problem with anybody here. I still want to continue on a friendly basis. Whether you like me or not, that's your call. I'm still here with an olive branch. The other thing is the algae on the lake. In the past we copper sulfated. The lake is solely based on fishing. I think it could be done 2X a year, now and in June. Is that something you talk about? Is that doable? \*Terry- Once the water starts warming up it will go away. Since I've been here I have not personally treated once with copper sulfate. Shane- That's the purpose of the hopper on the front of the chemical boat for copper sulfate. There is so much of it right now we can't troll or fish. \*Dave- What we have in the building is 24 years old. We haven't used it in 24 years. The newer bags in there are less corrosive on the aluminum boats. \*Sherry- Doesn't the contact herbicide they want to use in June have copper in it? \*Terry- It does. \*Bernie- That won't kill algae. \*Anthony- Are you sure about that? Because it's a chelated copper. Shane- Everyone with a rental has gotten an email from the companies saying we're not in compliance. Those emails, respectfully, need to stop until this is resolved. \*Alysia- There are other association members who have sent those emails, who are not on the Board. Shane- It has your name on the email. I assumed it is from the Association. \*Alysia- I'm not sending anything else. Our Attorney has all the information that you sent. We are not even sure who your Attorney is representing because there are no names attached.
7. Jeff Glon D3- I have lived here for 38 years. My neighbor is an STR owner. His property has actually increased in value. It was an eyesore. He has improved it a lot. I've never had any issue with any of the people who stay there. I think it has been there 15 years. It is not the Board's or the Association's responsibility to tell people what they can do with their own homes. I don't know how you can say that it is. It's my house. I have no aspirations to do that but someday I might. It's not even legal, as far as I'm concerned. Even though I'm not an STR owner I'm in support of those people who want to do that.
8. Louie/Kathy Siri- We own 2 STR on Circle Dr. We have done nothing over the last 2 years but improve the value of our property. We've gotten to know our great neighbors and we've never had 1 complaint. We do list rules and regulations. It's our goal to be respectful to our neighbors. I wouldn't want loud issues but also, it's summer at the lake. Everybody has guests. We have family members. Somebody just said the number of cars in a driveway, I mean come on. It's summer at the lake. We get nit picky and lose sight of why we live at the lake. It's Indiana. We have short summers. I don't like the lakers who shoot off fireworks but I can't control it. I think our letter is doing what's fair and what is right.
9. Daniel Burkhardt- I'm new, purchased 2 PPA lots last year. Own several STR. On the fence, was going to build. Wanted to see what was going on. I'm a Super Host. I work with neighbors. I can attest that we do it to a certain standard. We don't want problems. I don't buy in HOA's. I got a good deal on the lots. If it doesn't work I'll sell them. You stated "facts". When was the HOA created? Where does it come from? What are the rules that state ... \*Alysia- I'm a realtor. Whoever sells the home should have given you the documentation. The Title companies should know and the Realtor who was selling the home to you should have told you. There are 3 chances that you were not given the information. Daniel- I'm not mad. It probably stinks but now I get to learn and I'm curious about that. \*Dave- The Association was established in 1928. In Papakeechee every piece of property you buy comes from the Association. When you purchase the property it is in the deed, stating you will comply with all rules and regulations. The Bylaws and everything go back to the original deed when you purchased, the recorder's office may have left them out in a lot of them but you have to go back to the original deed where it states you are part of the Association and you must comply with the Association rules. \*Alysia- Then your title search, I can't understand where the disconnect is in that process. Dan- I think there is a disconnect from, you know,

1920. I have a property on Lake James where they said, this was similar like 1928 maybe, but they said the whole block is Air BnB's so I don't know maybe it wasn't recognized. \*Bernie- One more thing I could offer is our website, lakepapakeeche.org the Covenants & Bylaws are on there. Daniel- I think the property value is the biggest thing for me, I think the majority of us would agree, I've done a ton of research, I've been in, I've invested in it. I have never seen when property values have gone down. Improvements are made. I have property in Scottsdale AZ. They did this they cut everybody's throats. They cut everybody out. What happened? Property values went (gestured down) they went this way. By cutting them out their property values decreased. From everything that we've seen, by investing and purchasing, when adding improvements, the property value goes up. We pay more. It helps people come in and enjoy the property. It's an agree disagree thing. I understand that. I'm the side where I've seen both sides of it. I've seen it go up and I've seen where they cut people out and it goes down. \*Linda- These are a few things I've found that were recorded at the Kos. County courthouse. This is the oldest deed that I've seen so far. It's dated August 13, 1923. It has all the original Covenants, 1-7, just like they are on the website. Here's another one, recorded 1943 and another dated 1951. They are still intact. It's not like it's something out of the past that nobody pays attention to anymore. Daniel- In regards to Kos. County and James Lake, they have the same stuff but it's not observed. I don't know why. When I bought the property they said you may or may not have, so I knocked on every door and asked if we had issues and they said no. \*Linda- It would depend on each individual entity. Ours have been upheld in Court, Kosciusko and Whitley county over the years. It's legal. \*Anthony- I'd like to comment on the decrease in property values whether it increases or decreases. I can appreciate that and that certainly happens. But there's another way to look at it. There's always two sides to the story and one is that going forward one can make the argument that private lakes are going to become increasingly rare. Indeed lakes that don't have STRs on them are becoming increasingly rare. Lake front properties are becoming increasingly rare. So one could make the argument, by being different and special we might actually have greater property value going forward than lakes which are going to be coming very populated by STRs. You can look at it both ways. Daniel- I don't disagree with you. \*Anthony- There's no way to know for sure.

10. Connie Heimann- I want to talk about property values. I go to a lot of open houses. What I am seeing is a lot of people from Wawasee who can't afford to buy houses for their kids on Wawasee so they're buying on Papakeeche. So it's not going to go down because Papakeeche is probably the biggest boost to our area because they're relocating to our lake. ??- That's why I targeted Papakeeche in the first place. I totally agree with you. It's a cost ...
11. Jeff Glon- The purpose of the lake too is to let people enjoy it. That's why we're all here, because of the lake. You're not allowing anymore access to the lake because there is a finite number of homes on the lake. So renting out the house to somebody you don't know is not a detriment to the lake. It's an improvement to the lake by letting people use it. Letting the rest of the world see that Papakeeche is a destination. You live here, you know that it is a bright spot. The more you allow people to access it, I think the better. If you go out there on any given day in the summer there are 5 boats out there. All the people that say that they use the lake and they want to protect it, nobody truly uses the lake, to it's full extent. The people that we are renting to, those are the people that will use the lake to it's full extent. And that's the reason you are putting chemicals in, to improve the lake for everybody's enjoyment. Not just yours so you can sit and look at it out your window. \*Linda- If that's what they want to do that's what they can do. \*Alysia- Because we are property owners. We own the property. If I want to sit there and ??- Well, I do too and I want to see people use the lake. \*Terry- On the same token, we do have instances where we may see 5 boats out there, there ends up only being 4 boats returned. We've had theft on the lake. It can't be from residents on the lake that live here. We've had kayaks stolen. ??- That is just a reach
12. Connie Heiman- I live on Nordman Dr and we've had a house there that had squatters in it for years. They finally got rid of them. If you think people who are spending hundreds of dollars to come to the lake are going to steal your kayak? They would steal my kayak. It's my house they're renting. They didn't steal my kayak. I've had them there for 3 years. \*Terry- They can't float away. Connie- I've seen 3 float away in the last few days. I don't think people who are spending hundreds and hundreds of dollars here

are the thieves. I think you are looking at poor people who steal, not people who have money. They come to the lake to enjoy the lake, not to steal your stuff. They don't steal my stuff. I don't think they are going to steal your stuff.

13. Kendall- Oh, hell no.
14. Dan Connell D1- I just moved to the area. I just wanted to come see what's it all about. Looks like there are some issues we have but it sounds like you are working on it. One thing on the website is you can't post anything on it. \*Alysia- There is email. Were you reaching out to me or your District Rep? I got it.
15. Ron Ollis- Here's the deal. When it comes to Air BnBs 3 different things are gonna happen, When you have them and when you get rid of them. First, when you have them you are going to have other people coming into this area which may or may not like the particular area that we have. If they do like it then they're looking to buy in this area. Which when you have people wanting to buy is going to raise property values. Second thing that's fixin' to happen is when we have Air BnBs I don't know about anybody else but over the last 2 years I've put about \$40,000.00 into my house. Which definitely raises the values around here. I've had to redo the inside. I've had to redo the deck. I've had to redo a lot of it including residing the lake side of the house itself. Which I'd say is just a start of what I'm fixing. I've actually added \$40,000 on top of what everything else is. Third of all, you got to remember whenever somebody rents through Air BnB we get to look at that person before they ever rent our place. We have a right to say yes or no. We also have the right to review these people after the fact so if they did damage or if they weren't within the guidelines we can make damn sure they don't do it again. So as far as that kind of stuff goes, yes, it is our job to make sure the guests we are going to have in there are respectful of the neighbors. Everybody here, they have in their welcome book, these are the rules, these are the regulations. This is what we expect. I've talked to all 3 of my neighbors, one on either side and one across the road. All 3 say they haven't had any problems. All 3 have my phone number and I told them real quick, I will bounce a guest in a heartbeat and I think anybody else here would do the same. If you have a problem with somebody pick up a phone, call somebody and say hey, this is what's going on. Now if you've a problem with kids running and screaming and jumping off the dock and acting a fool like kids will do in the summer or you have somebody out there at 9:00 at night, guess what? That's your problem. You deal with it. But there is no reason to go over there and say all these Air BnBs need to go because of 1 or 2 or 3 isolated incidents. Pick up the phone this is your personal property. This is your personal responsibility. Deal with it that way. \*Alysia- I want to respond to that. My Husband won't speak up. He's back there hiding. For the first several months we didn't know we had an Air BnB next to us. I have an Air BnB account because I wasn't sure who to contact. Our neighbors did not divulge that to us. The only reason I have an Air BnB account is because I didn't know who or how to contact someone. Some of us have had the experience of who do we reach when there's a problem? You guys are saying you do that but we didn't know. We didn't even know that it was an Air BnB. Ron Ollis- Here's my response to that. Bull shit. Because you're a realtor, there's no reason you can't go down there to the county records and find out who owns any piece of property. \*Alysia- So it's my problem to do that, because the neighbors are renting it out? Connie Heimann- You can do it on line. In 5 minutes I can find out any ... Ron Ollis- You can find out exactly. \*Alysia- Are everybody's phone numbers on there? Ron Ollis- Absolutely. \*Dave- Not phone numbers.
16. Dan Connell D1- I want to thank everyone for being frank with their positions 'cause this is the realm in which we get it out but there's a couple things that were discussed that I think we're not focused on. I'll start with there has been a lot of talk about property values going up or not but I think there's another value that's not being discussed. What that is is commonly referred to as an intangible. There is value in having your property and knowing who your neighbors are. There is value in knowing that you do not have to deal with people you do not know who are there by invitation of another who rents out their property coming on to their property and now it's a situation that has to be dealt with. I'm not blaming or it's not a fault issue it's people who come in and don't understand and then we have to explain to them on a repetitive basis. There is value in having peace at your home and that is something that is not being discussed. It's not all money. Everybody is talking about money. There are things we aren't discussing which are important to people that live here and do not own an AirBnB. There have been several people

here today who do have Air BnBs who I appreciate are being respectful and acknowledging the other side and have expressed trying to come to an alternate resolution. There are others that are basically saying, tough, deal with it. I don't appreciate that and to be frank it does not encourage me to want to work with you. I don't think it's got to come down to litigation. I've heard the words I'll sue you. I'm hoping it doesn't have to come to that but if does, fine. I understand people's positions that we don't, we whoever we are, that there is no argument. That you're not, whoever you are, are not allowed to push back against an Air BnB. I recall receiving a letter from the Association that I believe cites a part of the rules where you are not allowed to have hotels. Granted the definition of hotels is open to interpretation but I think we can all agree that a possible interpretation of that definition is, short term stay versus a long rental. I don't think the argument is completely invalid. Otherwise I don't think the Attorney would risk reputation in putting it out there knowing that they could face malpractice. I understand there's a lot of emotion around here. I'm just saying this is about more than just money. I can find places in AZ where the values did go down. There was a lake community where it started out with a few Air BnB and they spread like wildfire until they were all Air BnB and the property values went kerplunk. I think there are arguments on both sides. I think there are facts and data on both sides. I do appreciate everyone being frank and open but we do need to understand that this is more than about just money.

\*Alysia- The property near our mail boxes, planning to be an Air BnB, right next to me Air BnB, the one right next to that one Air BnB, The one you just purchased was going to be an Air BnB and your yellow Air BnB. I don't know how many of you want to live on a road where there are literally within a quarter of a mile 5 Air BnBs? That's just my personal area. You all look at me like I'm the one who spearheaded this that I'm some... no, that's just my personal experience. This Board makes decisions based on our Covenants and Bylaws. I'm not going to speak for our Attorney he will be reaching out. \*Marshall- We also did a survey.

\*Anthony- Ron Ollis, I just want to comment on the investment that you've talked about in your property, which is a substantial amount. Also an awful lot of people and I'll include myself here, have spent more than that to renovate their properties with no intention of renting them out. We all invested a lot of money in our properties. When I bought my property it was a shack. If it had stayed like that for 5 more years it would have probably fallen down. I did it all myself. I reconstructed it all myself. It's not just you with an Air BnB issue. Many of us on the lake have spent a lot of money for reasons that were just mentioned to stay here. Ron Ollis- What I am saying is the Air BnB community have some of the nicest properties because ours has to be nice because if it's not you wouldn't pay to stay there. Mine is at least \$40,000 nicer now than when I bought it. Air BnBs do improve the bottom price line of the lake.

\*Anthony- I don't have any Air BnB and I improved the property value of my place by putting money into it too and a lot of other people have. The motivation, in other words, wasn't Air BnB, it was I wanted to be on this lake because of what I read when I bought it. There are a lot of people like that. There are both sides here. \*Alysia- I'm not picking on you but saying that music at 9:00 at night isn't a problem, we do have noise ordinances so at 10:00 it's not my problem it's yours. Those are your tenants. When the motor was on the lake from the house next door to us, ??- That was from the police. And there's a reason we ... \*Alysia- I called you about the gentleman with the handheld electric motor. I called Kirk. There was a gentleman from your Air BnB that said, oh, I didn't know. Kirk said it's posted plain and simple. No, he's out toolin' around the bay with an electric trolling motor and I said I'm sorry but you can't have that. I was very kind to him but for God's sakes we let your guests jump off our swim platform. We're as neighborly as we can be. It's not like I'm some vengeful, hateful person but like you said, my motivating factor here was peace. It wasn't to improve my property, I mean we have improved our property but for gosh sakes, it wasn't money. I wasn't motivated to make money off of a private lake.

17. Stacy Hammel D1- What we're seeing here is money. The motivation was money. The investor, he comes and we were targeted because of investment. It was a low entry and make a high profit. ??- Is that wrong? \*Alysia- On a private lake it is. Stacy- If you're not here controlling it, put yourself in our position. Do you want to live by 5 Air BnBs? Joanna Miller- My primary motivation wasn't. That was going to be my rental place when I have a home somewhere else warm. So don't make the assumption... \*Alysia- Do your people follow the fishing regulations? Connie Heimann- I live by mine Stacy- Yours is

one with the biggest complaints. Because you're not there. Connie Heimann- Oh, I'm there I was there within 5 minutes. Somebody opened their car door for 5 minutes and got their gym bag and got in and drove... Stacy- We as full time owners here do not want to be the overseers and managers of the unknown for the people that are financially benefiting. Connie Heimann- I was there in 5 minutes at 6:00 in the morning. So don't tell me... Stacy- You cannot understand how I walk in my shoes. I cannot be on edge all the time. I have animals. I have had to alter my animals and everything else to accommodate to be a neighbor like I would want to be a neighbor. It becomes so taxing with the arrival times and everything else is just an unknown. With the illegal immigration we have a problem in the United States of not knowing who's coming and going. All the traffic that we have coming in is an unknown.

18. Paul Erst D6- A lot of these people are running their places correctly. Some of them that aren't. How do we take care of those bad apples that are making the rest of it crappy? ??- That's the same goal we have. Paul- How do we take care of those bad apples?

\*Alysia- Shane said he would get a group together and bring a proposal. The Board didn't get any proposal we just got a letter from an attorney. ??- We got a letter from the Board that was uncertified.

\*Alysia- It was a friendly reminder of what you're supposed to be doing. ??- 1. Cease and desist is not friendly. 2. We read our Covenants. We poured through them. It is the total interpretation of the whole clause that made no sense to us. \*Alysia- What about the one where you're not allowed to use the lake for commercial or personal gain? ??- Well then you would not be allowed to have long term rentals on the lake. \*Alysia- They're not using the lake. (brings ironic laughter from the crowd) It does say that you must come to the Board for permission. Joanna Miller- How many attorneys did you guys get? Did you have to go to 3 attorneys before you found one that was going to interpret the way you wanted? How many? How many? How many? \*Alysia answered no 2X. Joanna Miller- It's my money that pays for the Association dues. \*Alysia- It doesn't matter. It works both ways. \*Sherry- Alysia we're going to let our attorney answer because you guys have an attorney too. You have 2 attorneys, that's fine. ??- It's none of your business. \*Sherry- That's fine. All I'm saying is you have an attorney. We have an attorney. Can we let them... Joanna Miller- Just keep spending our money. We'll get there. \*Alysia- You're spending our money. Shane has told people you guys are going to ride it out until the Board runs out of money. So you want to announce that to the whole lake that you are wasting the Association money? \*Dave- We need to stop using the term Air BnB. It's short term rental. It has nothing to do with the Air BnB company. You may use Air BnB but if I decide not to. It's going to bring everybody in. Maybe Air BnB is great but I can rent to whoever I want. You are just being thrown in there but there is no way to separate. It's more or less he said she said right now. Our attorney says one thing yours says another. That's all we can go with right now. We need to stop bickering. We all think we are right. We need to let the attorneys do what they do.

19. Ron Ollis- We all need to know who our neighbors are. With that being said, we're here now. If you're one of our neighbors or if you have concerns I'm more than willing to give anybody my telephone number. If they have a problem with any of my guests, call me. My daughter lives right here in Syracuse. She will be out there in 3 minutes or less. I guarantee they will be packed in 10. That's the way it needs to work. Everyone needs to deal with a personal problem personally. Not go at it the way you're going.
20. \*Anthony- I may be stating the obvious. All of us on this Board, at least most of us, we volunteer for this. We spent a lot of time and money trying to clean this lake for no monetary gain. In fact, I can argue and I speak for myself but I know it's true for other members here. We put a lot of money, my personal money into the lake, that nobody accounts for. I can tell you that in my own case I've probably put \$50,000.00 into the lake just for water treatment, myself. Ok? And why? It's a private lake. We're not eligible for any public funding from the outside. It's difficult for us even with the Elodea to get the resources we need to maintain the lake properly. In fact we collaborate now with the WACF because they are a much bigger lake and they have access to more money. The point you made earlier which was, Oh just call me or xyz. You're talking about people's effort with no compensation or very little compensation. We do this for nothing. We're not getting paid for any of this and many of us are losing. You should be aware of that. I'll say one other point. When the Lake needed a dam built, this was before I came here, it was a million dollar project. Who funded that? It was all funded by individuals on this lake by having their dues raised

by at least twice maybe three times what they normally paid, because it's private. There's a lot of personal investment on the part of many people on the lake because they ?? because they bought into it. So now, we have to tell these people that, you know, you've invested all this money but now we have a different policy on how we're going to manage it. That's a part that a lot of you really don't know about.

21. ??- We paid our part of the investment. It depends on how long you've lived here.
22. ??- As I understand it was at the demand of the government that we make the improvement after Katrina, in order to maintain the status of the private lake? Right? \*Bernie- It had nothing to do with the status of the private lake. We had a lake with a hazardous dam. The Government said, it's hazardous it has to be replaced. You have so long to do it, If you don't do it we will breach the dam and there will be no lake. So the membership agreed. It was an assessment and that's how it was paid. ??- It really wasn't voluntary. \*Bernie- No \*Terry- The term was, lost of life. That's why we put that dam in. That's why we are here as a private lake. We raised the \$1.2 million. Again like Anthony said, we have no money coming in from the state. That's why we are a private lake. We are privately funded. Everybody donated money to build the dam to preserve our lake. Everyone agreed to go along with it to preserve a private lake. I think we've discussed plenty. We are in a position to where you guys have your attorney, now we have our attorney so we'll just let them hash it out. There is no other way. It has to be. We represent two hundred and seventy homeowners on this lake and you're the only ones who showed up who have issues. So sorry but I think we move on. \*Pat- Again, as I looked around I believe we have email and phone numbers for everyone? I knew I didn't have Dan's. If we don't have your email please let me know so we can add them to our records.
23. Daniel Burkhart- I'm not talking for them. I'm just trying to understand for what I do. I'm trying to be transparent. I'm telling you what my goal is, is investments to make money. I understand that your rules are against that. That's why I'm here. I wanted to hear what you said. I wanted to know why you don't like that. What you don't like about it and I respect that. It's not about, for me, I would rather know that than start a process and come in and piss everybody off. I apologized to you in the back. I wasn't trying to make it about monetary... I wasn't trying to be disrespectful. You guys are right. Austin, Nashville, they blew up and the price goes down. There's an argument on both sides. I totally understand that. I can also understand this side. Money's relative. That's the biggest thing. I put in this much, I put in this much. There's always going to be people that put in more money. It's relative to what we're doing. Everybody has money in the game. I have 2 questions. Does this get resolved if you implement policies? Does it get resolved with having a data base with everybody that does this? Does that help this? Or is this just a matter of, like you said, I want my peace. I don't think there's anything wrong with wanting your peace. I totally get that. That's why I talk to people. I want to see, hey we want this. I don't want to go somewhere and do something and you're mad all the time. You're mad at me for doing that? Is this a matter of implementing policies? We want to work with you. Or you just want to stick with what you say your policy was and enjoy your private lake? \*Alysia- That's why we went to the attorney. I can't speak for the attorney. \*Sherry- At our last August meeting, there were a lot of concerns from other members who had issues with STR that they had been having problems with. There was such and outcry. It's not something that just occurred then. We had other instances of people who said they had issues with Air BnBs, ect. It's not that we just chose this as a goal for this year. This is something that we have talked about for a number of years to figure out how do we broach this. How do we work with people? What we get back is there are a lot of other people that are against the STR. We didn't just pick on you. Our people that we represent came to us also and said that we have an issue. \*Alysia- I appreciate everything that you guys said today. I really do but I can tell you that I get emails and phone calls from people and they're the neighbors to these places and they're saying, tell them to quit pulling in my driveway, tell them to quit doing this. I'm like do you want me to go over there and talk to them? Then they don't want to cause trouble. Does that make sense to you? You don't live here full time and they don't want you to be mad at them. So I'm like, you reached out to me. They are trying to be neighborly to you. I hear a lot of that. They don't want their name brought up. Could you just tell the people? We would have to hire someone to do that. Joanna Miller- I'll use Terry as an example. They reached out to me one time and I corrected it. So we had that relationship from the beginning. At least I thought.

\*Terry- We basically look at it this way. There are Rules/ Covenants/Bylaws and what not. We did not make those R/C/B. They were set forth back in the 1920's. But it's our responsibility as a Board to enforce them. We are put into this position now. Something is going to be resolved. \*Alysia- You think we're wrong and we think you're wrong. That's just where we're at right now.

24. Joanna Miller- That's where it was going to go anyway. When you send a letter with cease and desist it's not like hey, we want to work with you. Hey, we're here to listen. We could come to some type of agreement, whatever that may be. That wasn't the message. \*Alysia- I knew that that's how that was going to come across but we look at it as the Board, if I'm speeding the police officer doesn't pull me over and say can we work this out? From our viewpoint is, if I'm breaking the law or whatever the rule is I don't say, can we discuss this? Can we work this out? We have these R/C/B that we believe to be this way and your attorney and you interpret it a different way. I agree this is most likely where we were going to go. We are at the point where we let the attorneys discuss it. \*Anthony- The statement earlier was that we were going to sit down and have a discussion and we were going to come to some resolution. I remember that discussion several Board meetings ago. I think it's important to remember, that discussion was never voted on by the Board. We never approved that approach. We entertained it. It was never formalized within the Board that was the approach we were going to do. It wasn't a willful disregard for what some people thought was a promise. It was a statement made by 1 or 2 Board members, sort of extemporaneously, but we never really thought about it as a Board and voted on it as what we were going to do. That's important to know.

25. Joanna Miller- It is. It probably should have been noted before people left that meeting. \*Anthony- In future Board meetings that's how it will work. Joanna Miller- Because I looked and I didn't see that point. \*Bernie- There was a lot of pressure. We want something done now. We were getting pressured from people that wanted us to put the hammer down. No matter what we do somebody's not going to be happy. We just have to see what happens.

\*When a Board member speaks during the Guest comments.

#### 9. Director's Comments

1. Marshall- We as a Board operate off the constituents money, all of us, and it is their business what we do. We have to be transparent if we are good. It's their money and it's ours. The business we do is their business. Transparency is important.

\*\*Motion- Adjourn- Pat

Second- Dave

Adjourn 11:17 AM

Next meeting: May 11, 2024 - PPA Building, Hatchery Rd - 8:15 AM